



## **BYE LAW MTF 2/2018**

### ***TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE SANCTIONING OF MULTISPORTS EVENTS IN THE MALTESE ISLANDS BY THE MALTA TRIATHLON FEDERATION***

1. In exercise of the powers conferred by the Constitution of the Malta Triathlon Federation, this Bye-Law is being enacted to stipulate and list the Terms & Conditions for the Sanctioning of Sports Events in the Maltese Islands by the Malta Triathlon Federation.

#### **Preamble**

- 2.1 In line with its primary aim to promote the Olympic sports of triathlon and other ancillary events within its remits, that is any multisport competitive event that includes two or more of the disciplines of swimming, cycling and running, across the Maltese Islands, the Malta Triathlon Federation is publishing the following guidelines for its own use and in order to sanction similar events organised by affiliated and associate entities, as well as non-members third party.
- 2.2 All competitive multisport events in Malta and Gozo that combines two or more of the disciplines of swimming, cycling and running are required to be sanctioned by the Malta Triathlon Federation.
- 2.3 The Malta Triathlon Federation is the sole governing body for the sanctioning of these and other multi-sport events.
- 2.4 The MTF acknowledges that running, bicycling, swimming, and/or other segments of these events are inherently dangerous and are an extreme test of the physical and mental limits of the participants, and carry potential serious consequences. Thus, the Federation emphasises the importance of implementing the proper health and safety measures in all events it sanctions.



## **General**

- 2.1 All structures related to hosting the competitive event as well as pre and post event activities, including temporary structures such as spectator stands, pedestrian crossings, gantries, podium, tents, gazebos etc. are to be subject to a Certificate of Approval/Risk Assessment Report (issued by a suitably qualified engineer recognised by the Occupational Health & Safety Authority in Malta to be provided by the event organiser.
- 2.2 All events shall be covered with a public liability insurance cover.
- 2.3 The event organiser must assist in compliance.
- 2.4 The event organiser shall be responsible to arrange for the availability of the motorised equipment required (motor boat, motorcycles including operators/drivers) and mountain bikes with marshals.

## **Applicable Fees**

- 3.1 The Malta Triathlon Federation will charge the following rates for the event to be sanctioned:
  - i. Triathlon under 100 participants: 75 Euro
  - ii. Triathlon over 100 participants: 150 Euro
  - iii. Aquathlon: 50 Euro
  - iv. Duathlon: 50 Euro

## **Application for Sanctioning**

- 4.1 For an Event to be sanctioned by the MTF, the organising entity should:
  - i. Apply in writing to the Secretary General of the Federation, stating the nature of the event, the venue, expected number of participants, starting time, and the name and surname of the official in charge of the event at early as possible and not after 2 months before the date of the event;
  - ii. Obtain all the necessary permits from the relative government and municipal entities to hold the event, and to have the course route free of vehicular traffic (especially during the cycling segment) in terms of Transport Malta Regulations.



- iii. Ensure that there is an adequate number of police officers / local wardens / enforcement officers, etc to implement the Transport Malta Regulations in connection with the Event, vis-à-vis the closure of roads to vehicular traffic and the diversion of traffic and other traffic management requirement.
- iv. Ensure that the Event is organised to the highest standards possible within reach of the organising entity, and in terms of the Regulations of the International Triathlon Union, European Triathlon Union and the Malta Triathlon Federation;
- v. Ensure that there is an adequate number of marshals, time-keepers and other personnel to assist in the smooth running of the event;
- vi. Implement all the necessary health and safety precautions throughout the event, and:
  - a. have in a strategic place a team of paramedics and a full-equipped ambulance for immediate first-aid and emergency response;
  - b. keep the race transition area free from persons not directly involved in the Event;
  - c. provide adequate emergency assistance during the swimming segment of the Event;
  - d. ensure that there are no breakable containers/equipment within transition area;
  - e. ensures an adequate supply of clean fresh water made available within easy reach of the participants before, during and after the Event, that is:
    - \* (close to) Transition area
    - \* Bike every 40km
    - \* Run every 3km
    - \* FinishSports Drinks may be distributed only after the Finish.
- vii. Provide adequate and clean Toilets at the Start and Finish Areas for at least 1 hour prior and after the event;
- viii. Ensure the proper recording of the event results, and to forward a copy of these results to the Federation;
- ix. Reimburse the Federation of any expenses it may incur in connection with the Event;



- x. Ensure the spirit of Fair Play and Sportsmanship throughout the Event, in line with the relative International Charters the Federation relates to;
- xi. Declare and be responsible to see that it is fully familiar with all the rules and regulations of the Malta Triathlon Federation;
- xii. in order to reduce their and the MTF's exposure to potential lawsuits, be required to have all participants, officials and volunteers sign a waiver of liability that releases the race organizers, volunteers and officials, and the MTF from claims for damages;
- xiii. indemnify, hold harmless, assume liability for, and defend the Malta Triathlon Federation, its member Clubs, officials, agents and volunteers from any and all damages, awards, costs and expenses including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees, court costs, and all other sums which the MTF and its member Clubs, officials, and volunteers may pay or become obliged to pay on account of any and every demand, claim or assertion of liability, or any claim or action founded thereon, arising or alleged to have arisen out of the (a) negligence or wilful misconduct of the Organising Entity its agents, officials and/or representatives, (b) violation of any applicable laws or rules and regulations of the Malta Triathlon Federation or the ITU/ETU by the Organising Entity or its agents, officials or representatives, or (c) sanction issued by MTF and/or its member Clubs, on the date of the event or by any action or omission of the Organising Entity, its members, agents, officials, and volunteers, in relation to the sanction;
- xiv. On submitting an application for sanctioning, acknowledges that this sanctioning of the Event by the MTF will be subject to the conditions as listed in this document, viz. The "Terms and Conditions for the Sanction of Sports Events Under the Remit of the Malta Triathlon Federation", that it has read the document, understood its content, and intentionally and voluntarily accept the sanctioning;
- xv. Submit a signed copy by one of its officials upon forwarding the application letter;
- xvi. Inform all participants about National Anti-Doping requirements and assist and not hinder in any way the possible anti-doping testing carried out by the National Anti-Doping Organisation of Malta in connection with the event.

## FAILURE TO COMPLY

- 5.1 Failure to comply with the Malta Triathlon Federation's sanctioning requirements will necessitate the Malta Triathlon Federation to inform the statutory authorities of failure to comply, which may result in the cancellation of the event. The organiser agrees to comply with the conditions and/or requirements of sanctioning before, during and after the event as specified below.
- 5.2 Any member of the Malta Triathlon Federation who endorses and participate in any competitive event which is not sanctioned by the Federation shall receive an automatic sanction of not less that a month and not more than 6 months suspension from taking part in other events organised and/or sanctioned by the Federation.

## VISIBILITY OF SANCTIONED EVENT

- 6.1 All Sanctioned events will be promoted among the clubs and members of the Federation and through its social media.
- 6.2 All Sanctioned events shall have the right to use the logo of the Malta Triathlon Federation/Triathlon Malta, after obtaining this from the Executive Board.
- 6.3 All Sanctioned events shall have the right to promote their event as a 'Sanctioned by Malta Triathlon Federation/Triathlon Malta' and shall have the right to display the respective logo :



This Bye-Law is being enacted today, 31 October 2018 and shall enter into force with immediate effect.

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## ***APPLICATION FOR THE SANCTIONING***

Name of Organising Entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of the Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Event Venue: \_\_\_\_\_ Event Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Event Distances: Swim - \_\_\_\_\_ Bike - \_\_\_\_\_ Run - \_\_\_\_\_

Categories/Age-Groups: \_\_\_\_\_

Officer in-charge of the Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Telephone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Signature of the Officer in-Charge of the Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Documents to be attached:

- Certificate of Approval/Risk Assessment Report;
- Permits, No Objections, etc (or application for);
- Confirmation of Emergency & First Aid Response attendance;
- Route Map for the whole race/event;